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**What Gold Stocks?**

Editor, Tribune: In a letter (Forum, Aug. 3), Charlotte Morrow criticized my letter of July 16. She said if Mr. Tahtaras had done his homework he would realize Senator

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Goldwater's statement was true, and she cited from a CIA report of Jan. 9, 1964, to show that Russia is running out of gold, et cetera.

I have done much homework. I do not claim to know the gold stocks of Russia and I don't think the CIA knows the amount of gold now held in Russia. All the information and predictions from and by the CIA about Russia and Cuba, especially with all the informers we have in Cuba, have made us the laughing stock of the world. I do know it takes one dollar and sixteen cents to buy one Russian ruble. Also, I know that our own government does not own one dime's worth of gold, because in 1957 our government issued over twenty-one billion dollars worth of Federal Reserve certificates and gave these certificates to the Federal Reserve Bank.

Both political parties are guilty of violation of federal law which says that the government shall have on hand at all times eleven billions in gold reserve. What right did the political parties have in giving this gold to this privately-owned banking corporation?

Furthermore, the foreign bankers have in their possession more than thirty-two billions of dollars in U.S. securities, which are due to be paid now, and in addition eighteen billions of dollars which have to be paid in gold which our government does not have. They, the foreign bankers, can legally force our government into bankruptcy. I challenge not only Senator Goldwater but any American political leader to deny the truth of this statement.

**GEORGE TAHTARAS**